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on Essential Fatty Acids and Prostaglandins

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Dr. Robert C. Hockett
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Dear Dr. Hockett:

Next spring the scientific community interested in the essential polyunsaturated acids and prostaglandins will be marking the golden jubilee of the discoveries of these important substances. The impetus for organizing such a congress arose from an international group, and discussions held during the past two years have led to the present plan. The international committee has chosen the University of Minnesota, where the discovery of esential fatty acids was made, as the site of the congress. It has set the dates as May 4-8, 1980, and has made preliminary arrangements for the program. The program will include plenary lectures by leaders in the field, minisymposia consisting of volunteered papers grouped by subject, and poster sessions on related topics. Professor George O. Burr, the discoverer of essential fatty acids, and Professor U. S. von Euler, who discovered prostaglandins, have agreed to be our honored guests and will present historical perspective. The plenary speakers, session chairmen and discussants who have accepted our invitations include Bergstrom, Samuelsson, Mead, Sprecher, Cornwell, Sinclair, Needleman, Houtsmuller and TenHoor. We intend that the program will review work during the last 50 years and present the most recent discoveries and current research.

Preliminary announcements have been made through selected scientific journals and we are now circulating announcements to individuals who are active in this field, soliciting abstracts of potential presentations. The Congress will be limited to approximately 500 persons dictated by the limitations of space and the need to keep the group small enough to assure active communication. About half of the time will be devoted to plenary lectures and the other half to concurrent minisymposia and poster sessions.

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The proceedings of the Golden Jubilee Congress will be collected and published jointly by University of Minnesota Press and Pergamon Press (Oxford). Each registrant at the congress will receive one copy of the published proceedings. Major contributors will have the option to purchase the proceedings at cost and distribute them under their own logos.

Our best estimate of the budget for this congress is $50,000 to $60,000 and we are requesting support for this venture from several organizations whose business or research interests are related to our subjects. If we can find at least ten supporters contributing an average of $5,000 each, we can meet our budget. We hope that this congress will interest your company and that you will make whatever contribution you are able. All contributors will receive due public recognition. We hope that you can support this congress by financial support and by the participation of your scientific staff in the program. If you can make a contributon, the check should be made out to the University of Minnesota (Golden Jubilee Fund).

If you have questions not answered by this letter, please inquire by letter or telephone. May I have your early response to aid us in our final detailed planning.

Sincerely,

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